

I do not think the HF and low VHF radio spectrum is suitable for Access BPL because of the potential for interference to licensed radio services. I understand that one of the power companies testing BPL has stated that they will not prevent interference to the amateur radio service. A better range of frequencies would be unused TV channels in the channel 2 to 13 range. These would be suitable because they are each 6 MHz wide and there are few TV stations serving the rural areas that BPL is meant to serve so there should be plenty of spectrum space for BPL. Also TV signals are usually very strong so interference to TV reception should not be a problem.

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